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(U) The Information Review and Release Group (IRRG) is responsible for managing the Agency's legally mandated and discretionary information release programs. This includes public and official demands pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) of 1966, the Privacy Act of 1974, mandatory declassification review provisions included in Executive Order 13526, and the IC-mandated Publications Review Board (PRB).

(U) A talented cadre of Information Review and Release Analysts (IRRAs) and Information Review Officers (IROs) represent each directorate and thoroughly review Agency information and equities. These dedicated officers work tirelessly to ensure the timely, accurate, and careful release of Agency material.

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-related writings each year, under governance of Agency Regulation 13-10. (U//AIUO) The PRB is an independent board comprised of representatives from each directorate and the DIR Area, a small staff of Information Review and Release Analysts, and a Chair. (b)(3) NatSecAct

(U) For more information about the PRB's process, please review the information contained in the links below.

(U//AIUO) Publications Review Division, which incorporates the Publications Review Board (PRB), safeguards classified information, protects intelligence sources and methods, and supports the Agency's mission by reviewing,

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(U//FOUO) The IRD is comprised of the Directorate IRO offices as well as the Litigation Support Unit (LSU). The LSU supports the Office of General Counsel, the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, the Directorate IROs, and other litigation assistance teams as needed, and reviews information involved in litigation to ensure its security. LSU manages cases and provides review services as necessary to support the Agency in its litigation activities.

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	HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM (HRP) The HRP identifies, reviews, and declassifies collections of documents dealing with historically significant events. The HRP balances social responsibility of sharing information with the public with the security and classification required to protect our sources and methods. In conjunction with the Office of Public Affairs and other Agency offices, HRP hosts public conferences and symposia to draw attention to important collections and to make them available to the broadest audience possible. INTERAGENCY SECURITY CLASSIFICATION APPEALS PANEL (ISCAP) (U) The ISCAP is the means by which persons may formally appeal declassification decisions. It is a joint panel, comprised of representatives from DoD, State, NSS, DOJ, NARA, ODNI, and CIA, and is formally part of the National Archives and Records Administration. A decision made by the ISCAP, either for or against declassification, can only be overturned by the President of the United States. IRRG supplies one liaison to the ISCAP, who coordinates internally and externally to advise cases that come before the panel.	

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